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Senate Education Committee to take up bills to replace MEAP

Who: Senate Education Committee

What: Hearings on the bipartisan, five-bill package that would replace the Michigan Educational Assessment Program test with a new comprehensive one that prepares students for college and the workplace.

When: Thursday, April 22
2 p.m.

Where: Farnum Building, Room 210
125 W. Allegan St.
Lansing

Briefing: Senators have proposed legislation that would create the Michigan Merit Exam for high-school students in place of the MEAP. The proposed test would use a combination of a college-admissions test, a workplace skills exam and a social studies component. The test would first be given to students in 2006. The effort is supported by a broad coalition of state leaders in secondary and post-secondary education.

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